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August 28, 2015

Donna Girouard Town Clerk 30 Providence Road Grafton, MA 01519

Re:

Request for Determination & Approval: Minor Modification to a Site Plan, 198 Worcester Street;

Sargon Realty LLC (Applicant / Owner).

Dear Mrs. Girouard:

At its meeting on Monday, July 27, 2015, the Planning Board considered the request for a minor modification to a Site Plan for 198 Worcester Street. The Applicant appeared before the Board on that date requesting determination of minor modification to a site plan. No original site plan was found on record as the original plan may have been submitted prior to the establishment of the existing zoning. The Building Inspector determined that the Applicant should appear before the Board to establish this modification to the site as the baseline for future reference. The Applicant submitted materials to the Planning Board including correspondence, a sight distance analysis prepared by Bertin Engineering, and two plans: "Proposed Re-use Site Plan" and "Preliminary Floor Plan" prepared by Bertin Engineering. The site is located in a Community Business (CB) zone. All related material is on file in the Planning Department.

The Applicant owns the entire building on the site. There is a large, unoccupied space on the eastern end of the building and some small businesses occupying smaller, individual storefronts at the western end of the plaza. The Applicant is proposed to install a new 152 seat Mediterranean style restaurant in existing empty space. In addition the façade will be refurbished. No exterior expansion of the footprint is proposed. Signage will be adjusted to reflect the new tenant. The Board noted that all signage must comply with the Zoning By-Law and action on this application does not reflect an endorsement of any signage presented during the meeting. The Applicant demonstrated that parking and entrance / egress requirements meet the requirements of the Zoning By-Law and that no changes are proposed to the existing site that would make the site non-compliant.

The Board found that the requested modifications to site plan did not impact or change the site in a manner that would require a full site plan review. After review of the submitted testimony the Planning Board voted unanimously 4-0 to find that the modifications were minor and to grant the applicant's request to approve said modifications.

Sincerely,

Joseph Laydon Town Planner

cc: Applicant / Owner

Building Inspector

